The Office Action states that Applicants' prior amendment would not be entered because claim 38 contains brackets and/or underlining. Accordingly, as suggested by the Office Action, Applicants have canceled claim 38 and added new claim 50 which is identical to canceled claim 38 except to change "wherein" in the definition of variable "F" to "or." Applicants have again rewritten claims 11, 14, 16, 25-29 and 34-36 in independent form as new claims 39-49, additionally correcting the erroneous designation of Formula "Iia" to "IIa".

The Office Action states that the application fails to comply with the rules relating to sequence disclosures because no amendment was submitted to insert the sequence listing before the claims. Applicants note, however, that such an amendment was submitted in Applicants' prior response. However, because that amendment was not entered, Applicants attach hereto both a paper copy and computer readable format of the sequence listing. Additionally, Applicants include herein an amendment requesting entry of the Sequence Listing following the claims. Applicants also attach hereto statements associated with the filing of Sequence Listings.

In view of the foregoing remarks, claims 1, 5, 8-16, 18-20, 22-37, and 39-50 are considered to be in condition for allowance.

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Reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

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